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## Reservists pull back-to-back rotations

**By Capt. Stan Paregien  
Public Affairs officer**

Two reservists from Youngstown Air Reserve Base, Ohio are working on their second Aerospace Expeditionary Force rotation in a row.

The Kirkuk Air Base assistant fire chief along with one of his firefighters did their scheduled Blue AEF rotation at an undisclosed location, and then they were contacted at the last minute by the AEF center to cover a Silver rotation.

Master Sgt. Warren Dalton and Staff Sgt. Tom Smith hopped right in.

"We volunteered to cover it quickly," said Dalton, who planned to retire in 2000.

Stop-loss and another event made him think twice: Sept. 11, 2001.

"When that happened, I decided to stay longer. I wanted to see the conflict through to the end and we just caught Saddam Hussein. Hopefully, that will lead to more captures. I think the time away is a small price to pay for what we have accomplished for all of America," said



Photo by A1C Alicia Sarkkinen

**Master Sgt. Warren Dalton and Staff Sgt. Tom Smith, from Youngstown Air Reserve Base, Ohio, stand in front of the Fire Department sign.**

Sergeant Dalton.

Sergeant Smith is a firefighter in Wheeling, W.Va. Knowing they are behind him makes him proud. "I've received great support from my employer and friends back home," he said.

Sergeant Dalton is a machinist in Sheffield Village, Ohio. "Things have moved right along as we went from the Blue rotation into the Silver and we've had great support at Kirkuk from the civil engineers and people from various bases com-

ing together," said Dalton.

"Alarm red has been an eye opener for many people here. You practice and practice for that during exercises, but until you get in a combat zone and experience the real thing, it is not the same. You realize here in Iraq you have to keep on your toes," Sergeant Dalton added.

Both firefighters remind base residents to stay in designated smoking areas, have no open flames in buildings, and no cooking in individual tent or modular rooms.

In the last year, Sergeants Dalton and Smith have

endured sandstorms and mud and kept a positive outlook through it all. Dalton plans to retire in 2005 and hit the road in his camper to visit bases and fish.

"What I like most is serving my country in the military fire department. I enjoy the camaraderie, and share experiences with my military friends. Some people will end up being friends for life. Who knows? One day we may end up having reunions for all those who served in Operation Iraqi Freedom," he added.

## New law protects servicemembers

**By Army Sgt. 1st Class  
Doug Sample  
American Forces Press Service**

A new law replacing the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 provides servicemembers greater protections to handle financial and legal obligations, officials said. President Bush signed the Service Members' Civil Relief Act into law Dec. 19.

"The focus of the (new act) is the same as under the SSCRA: To provide protections to servicemembers who have difficulty meeting their personal financial and legal obligations because of their military service," said Lt. Col. Patrick Lindemann, deputy director for legal policy in the office of the undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness.

This is significant, because it clarifies

and updates SSCRA provisions and adds some protections.

"Servicemembers on long-term deployments, or called to active duty, should not have to worry about their families in their absence being evicted from their quarters without sufficient legal protections, or that they are paying on a leased car or apartment that they can't use, or

**See RELIEF ACT Page 4**

# Fitness center adds equipment, makes changes

Story and photos by  
Tech. Sgt. Jeffrey Williams  
Editor

Major changes have been made at the Freedom Fitness Center in tent city this past week.

Due to a mission demand for an Alaskan tent, the free-weight training area moved to the cardio area, which moved to the old Desert Fox theater.

According to Master Sgt. Ricky Harting, 506th Expeditionary Services Squadron athletic director, the move only helps the squadron meet the fitness needs of base members.

"We received 30 more pieces of cardio equipment from bases throughout Southwest Asia, and have added 12 of them to the cardio room," Sergeant Harting, who deployed here from Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas, said.

"We have over 100 pieces of free-weight equipment here now and our old

weight room concrete slab will become a basketball court shortly," he continued.

A new addition to the center is the Cybex selectorize equipment that recently arrived.

"They are quite popular and we received a lot of requests for them. Now they are here," he added.

Sergeant Harting said he received a great deal of help from the 506th Expeditionary

Civil Engineering Squadron, which helped make a quick transition.

"We coordinated with CE to put in a new floor at the theatre to ensure stability for the equipment, and their electricians rewired the theatre for the cardio equipment. We tried to get it all done within 48 hours, and couldn't have done it without their help," he said.

He also commended his staff for the long hours they put in to get the job done.

Master Sgt. Rick Gaddy, recreation services superintendent, said the changes are a result of the movement of activities to better serve our troops.

"We've already seen an increase in attendance for all of our programs and facilities, but a better variety of equipment certainly will help. We're doing this with what we have," he said.

As for the new equipment, Sergeant



**Master Sgt. Ricky Harting, 506th Expeditionary Services Squadron athletic director, stands next to an exercise bike after moving equipment to the new fitness center.**

Gaddy said it was first requested by the squadron during the Blue rotation, and even more was requested during the current rotation. While some requests have fallen through, he said the efforts have not been fruitless now that the equipment arrived.

"It's basically been one big scrounging mission," he said.

The arrival of the new equipment occurred at the same time as the move, which was coincidental, said Sergeant Gaddy.

Sergeant Harting was optimistic about the facility's future.

"This is another example of Services trying to make things better for base members. We are also trying to get in line with the new fitness guidelines. This will definitely help," he concluded.



**Volunteers assist with the movement of equipment during Wednesday's overhaul of the base fitness center.**



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# Take me back to Tulsa

## Oklahoma Air National Guard unit redeploys back to the states

**By Capt. Stan Paregien  
Public Affairs officer**

After being gone from family and friends for months, Oklahoma Air National Guard members from the Tulsa-based 219th Engineering and Installation Squadron headed home from Iraq are ready for the simpler things in life.

"I missed long hot showers, taking a long bath, really good homemade hot meals, my girlfriend and all that candy I missed at Halloween; but mainly I missed my girlfriend," said Staff Sgt. Thomas Jackson of Tulsa as he prepared to return from Iraq last month.

At Kirkuk Air Base, airmen are limited to a quick three minute combat shower, which sometimes turns out to be much shorter, due to lack of warm, much less, hot water. Depending on what time of day airmen visit the facility, and how many people got there ahead of them, they may get cold water versus the desired hot water.

For the communications specialists in the engineering and installation business, many of whom have been to places with fewer facilities, the water temperature doesn't bother them too much. They can install wire and communications hardware in any weather.

Fiber optics is just one of their specialties. They take care of communications infrastructure anytime a customer or commander needs professional voice or data links. They provide network connections for wartime command and control, and areas that affect morale, like the new Cyber Café which allows airmen to connect on the internet and call home.



**From left: Staff Sgt. Tim Wooten, Tech. Sgt. James Bronson, Senior Master Sgt. Michael Pope and Staff Sgt. Thomas Jackson**

Senior Master Sgt. Michael Pope runs his own construction business and knows being deployed is hard on employers and families.

"I was really glad to be called in on this deployment. We originally thought we would be here earlier, but that fizzled out, so we waited to do our part. Working in Iraq has been a fulfilling job. As an employer I know it is hard to have your people gone, but this operation is important," he said.

Despite being glad to be working here, Sergeant Pope, like most airmen and soldiers stationed here, had one reservation – missing the family.

"I missed coaching my son's last game, a championship game they ended up losing. I missed some basketball games too, but it is a choice we all have made...to do this for our country. I missed home. The kids don't like being apart from me, but they know why I'm here and how important it is," the sergeant added.

Continuing, he said, "Just after Sept. 11, 2001, several of us had stopped to eat at a restaurant near Tulsa. The place stood up and clapped in appreciation of our military service. That's incredible."

Staff Sgt. Tim Wooten said they have embraced the challenge of working in a war-zone.

"This was a chance to help a base go from ground zero and build up," he said. "Many times we fly into a base to do an update. We make the infrastructure permanent and it has certainly been a challenge working in the Iraqi structures."

He pointed out that the group had taken what the combat communication squadron started earlier in the year and made it stronger.

"They gave the base a good start. Materials were already in place for us, which was good, but I'm amazed at how much we were able to get accomplished. We dug and laid tens of thousands of feet and

fiber optic cables, more than four miles that we know of. More than 15 miles of conduit with 4 inch PVC pipe was put down.

"Back in the summer some of the local Iraqi materials actually melted from the heat. This was my first time living in a combat situation while dealing with the mud. I've been wet before, but not as muddy as this," he added.

Staff Sgt. Thomas Jackson pointed out, "We know that no matter what, our jobs are as important as security is. Everyone needs communications, and without it you have chaos. Several of us work back in Oklahoma for Southwestern Bell which has been behind us all the way. I have seen a lot of my co-workers sending us letters."

Now the 738th Engineering and Installation Squadron from Barksdale Air Force Base, La. is aboard and continuing the work the Oklahoma Guard unit started.

Tech. Sgt. Bob Murrah, 738th EIS team chief, said, "We've got multiple projects going including the new Cyber Café and Smithville. This requires data and voice cabling and we now have the opportunity to use our remote control trenching machine, the Ditch Witch Model 76-10, to dig through any area we think may have unexploded ordnance. This can be accomplished up to three miles away."

Sergeant Murrah summed up the mission when he said, "It's our calling. We work in all conditions. Just the other day our airmen were out working in the pouring rain. Their skills are needed here."

## Service with a smile: Airman's Attic expands after month of operation

**Story by Tech. Sgt. Jeffrey Williams  
Editor**

When Senior Master Sgt. Belinda Denney, 506th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron first sergeant, first got involved in the program to open the Soldiers and Airman's Attic, she never believed she would stick with the program a month after opening.

"Going into it, I thought I would just organize it and be done with it," Sergeant Denney said. "Now I've taken a personal interest in it. It's like our own little store."

The store opened Dec. 9, and has been quite a hit. Open four days a week, Sergeant Denney said they average 25 customers per day, and the hours have been expanded by popular request.

The facility has items like basic hardware supplies like tape, rope and gloves; health and comfort items including feminine sanitary items; grocery items, a large book supply; and some basic uniform items. There is no charge for the items.

Airman 1st Class Elizabeth Luther, 506th Expeditionary Services Squadron recreation, made her first visit to the store Tuesday. She picked up three novels, including a book from her favorite author that she had not read before.

"This was my first visit, but I'll be a regular customer," she said. "The layout is perfect. Just about everything you need is here."

While Sergeant Denney might act like the store's manager, Master Sgt. Darryl Ross, 506th Expeditionary Medical Squadron medical technician superintendent, acts as the assistant manager. His

enthusiasm is contagious among both his customers and fellow volunteers.

"We're here to ensure that people get the small necessities of life in camp," Sergeant Ross said. "I never expected it to be this fun. It's like watching a baby grow."

According to Sergeant Ross, the items in the store are donated. A business in the states donated two cases of sunscreen, and another has pledged to send food gift packs.

Still other companies and organizations have people stationed here and it acts as a distribution center for "share" items in care packages.

"We get a wide variety of donations," he said. "As the rotation is about to change, we now have more items coming in than going out. Still, for anyone who has not been here, we encourage them to stop by and see our variety."

The store would not function without a good volunteer base, Sergeants Denney and Ross acknowledge. Currently there are three volunteers for each two-hour shift during the four days the store is open.

"We'll never turn away volunteers.



Photo by A1C Alicia Sarkkinen

**Master Sgt. Darryl Ross, 506th Expeditionary Medical Squadron holds items while Master Sgt. Harlan Haycraft, 506th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, wipes dust from a shelf at the Soldier's and Airman's Attic Tuesday.**

The more, the merrier. As more customer requests come in, we will either increase our hours or increase days, so volunteers are always needed," Sergeant Ross stated.

Sergeant Denney echoed, "Our schedule is always full, but there's room for more."

Both sergeants encourage people to donate their items during the store's regular business hours.

Even Airman Luther, who plans on donating items in the future, has some sage advice for people who aren't donating.

"Think before you throw useable items away," she said. "What may be your trash might be someone else's treasure."

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about civil legal proceedings they can't attend because of their deployment," he said.

An automatic 90-day stay of civil proceedings upon application by the servicemember is what Colonel Lindemann called "a significant change" in the new act. This applies to all judicial and administrative hearings. Previously, stays were discretionary with the courts.

The new relief act also

makes it clear the 6-percent limitation on interest rates for pre-service debts requires a reduction in monthly payments, and any interest in excess of 6 percent is forgiven, not deferred, Colonel Lindemann said.

The SCRA also expanded the protection against eviction. Under the SSCRA, servicemembers and their family who entered into a lease for \$1,200 or less could not be evicted without a court order. This

amount is increased to \$2,400 and added an annual inflation adjustment.

The new relief act also gives the servicemember who has received permanent change-of-station orders or who is being deployed for 90 days or more the right to terminate a housing lease with 30 days' written notice.

One of the more significant new provisions is an added protection for vehicle leases. Any active-duty servicemember

who has received PCS orders outside the continental United States, or who is being deployed for 180 days or more, may terminate a motor-vehicle lease. The law prohibits early termination charges.

"Servicemembers may not always realize all the protections they have under the law," Colonel Lindemann said. "If servicemembers have questions, they should contact their unit judge advocate or installation legal assistance office."



# HAPPY NEW YEAR 2004

## Kirkuk Air Base kicks off 2004 in a 'talented' fashion

Photos by Tech. Sgt. Jeffrey Williams  
Editor

and Airman 1st Class Alicia Sarkkinen  
Visual Information



*Left: 1st Lt. Richard Baysinger, 506th Air Expeditionary Group plans, chuckles while attending a USO-sponsored comedy show Dec. 30.*



*Comedian Colin Quinn poses for a photo with Tech. Sgt. Antonio Vega, 506th Expeditionary Communications Squadron, Tech. Sgt. Patricia Jinks and Staff Sgt. Willie Gilbert from the 506th Air Expeditionary Group staff.*



*Staff Sgt. Robert Finton, 506th Expeditionary Communications Squadron, performs during the Jan. 1 talent show at the Clamtina.*



*Staff Sgt. Sara Vallejo, 506th Expeditionary Operations Support Squadron, wears a New Year's party favor during the Dec. 31 party at the Clamtina.*





**Col. Daniel Peabody, 506th Air Expeditionary Group commander, and Chief Master Sgt. Chuck Talley, 506th AEG Command Chief, pose for a photo with the newest enlisted promotees following the Dec. 31 promotion ceremony.**



**A retreat ceremony marked the last time the U.S. national standard flew on Kirkuk Air Base in 2003.**



**Tech. Sgt. Donald Paulus, 506th Expeditionary Services Squadron, flashes a gift certificate to contestants during the Kevlar Modeling Contest held New Year's Eve.**

## Intramural Basketball Standings As of Jan. 7



### Western Conference

	Win	Loss
Triple Threat	6	0
Wreckin' Crew	5	0
Midwest	3	1
CES #2	3	1
Andrew's Finest	2	1
508 Airborne Chefs	1	3
Medics	1	3
HHC BDE	0	4

### Eastern Conference

	Win	Loss
Champs	5	0
SFS	3	0
Combat Comm	3	0
Blacksheep	4	1
TF1-63AR	3	1
Team Nellis	3	2
Rattlahs	2	2
EMEDS	2	3
Roadrunners	2	3
THC	2	4
ECS	0	4
Services #2	0	4



Photo by Maj. Andrew Foltz

### Going down the drain...

Senior Master Sgt. Marvin Hipolito, 506th Air Expeditionary Group first sergeant, pours a bottle of Johnny Walker Red Label down the drain. Hipolito assisted the legal staff in disposing of confiscated alcohol products Sunday.

## Kirkuk forecast



### Weekend Outlook

Today: Snow Hi 44/Low 26  
 Tomorrow: Partly Cloudy Hi 38/Low 28  
 Saturday: Snow 38/Low 28  
 Sunday: Rain and snow Hi 46/Low 28

## Explosive ordnance disposal item of the week

# Projectiles

These items can range from small mortar rounds to large artillery. The different types of projectiles have many different purposes ranging from armor piercing to illuminations. Many of

these ordnance are explosive and have sensitive fuzing systems and should not be bothered or tampered with. If you encounter any of these ordnance call EOD at 460-1763 immediately.





## Newsbriefs

### Three-point shootout today

Services is sponsoring a 3-point shootout tournament at the Sky Soldier Fitness Center at 2 p.m. today.

The tournament will consist of three stations with five shots each. There will be three rounds.

Prizes will be given for the top three contestants.

### Football tournament held soon

A flag football tournament will be held Sat. Jan. 24 at the Sky Soldier Fitness Center.

This single-elimination tournament will be comprised of 9-person teams. Teams should consist of members from the same unit.

Army and Air Force senior enlisted members will choose the all-stars from the tournament for a special All-Star game to be played a week later.

### War trophies prohibited

Servicemembers serving in Iraq and Afghanistan are prohibited from taking to the United States any items that were formerly in the possession of the enemy.

With about 140,000 American servicemembers scheduled to rotate out of Iraq and Afghanistan, U.S. Central Command officials said servicemembers cannot bring home weapons, ammunition or other prohibited items.

Under no circumstances can individuals take as a souvenir an object that was formerly in the enemy's possession. While in Iraq, unit commanders will brief servicemembers on the policy before leaving Southwest Asia.

If you have any questions regarding the latest policy guidance contact the base legal office at 460-0117.



## Crossword Puzzle of the Week Hometown USAF (Vol. 1)

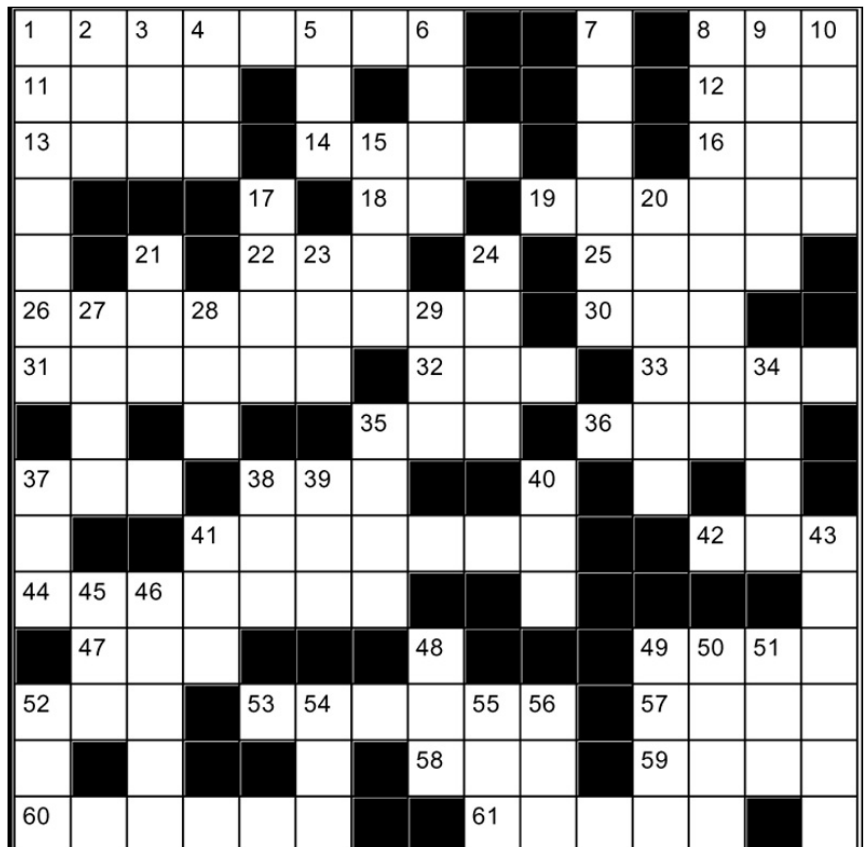
By 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Tony Wickman  
Alaskan Command Public Affairs

### ACROSS

1. Texas AFB home to 37th TW; aircraft tail marking of LD
8. Hit
11. Church altar
12. Bar drink
13. German for no
14. Road tax?
16. Elevated part of the Earth (abbrev.)
18. Postal abbrev. for state home to 436th AW
19. Automotive maker
22. Former 70-80s band (abbrev.)
25. Dampens
26. South Dakota AFB home to 28th BW; a/c tail marking of EL
30. Lemon drink
31. Japan AB home to 374th AW; a/c tail marking of YJ
32. Head cover
33. Immerses
35. Cat call
36. Late night host
37. Zodiac sign
38. Meaning three
41. Conductor
42. Pod vegetable
44. California AFB home to 412th TW; a/c tail marking of ED
47. Age
49. Actress Laura of *Jurassic Park*
52. Babylonian measure of length
53. California AFB; home to 60th AMW
57. Snack food
58. *Lord of the Rings* character
59. Impress letter/design on a book cover
60. Nebraska AFB home to 55 WG; a/c tail marking of OF
61. Texas AFB home to 7<sup>th</sup> BW; a/c tail marking of DY

### DOWN

1. Virginia AFB home to 1FW; a/c tail marking of FF
2. Mock
3. CBS show
4. Barbie's mate
5. Model Carol
6. Fmr. Kansas senator
7. Japan AB home to 35<sup>th</sup> FW; a/c tail marking of WW
8. Germany AB home to 86th AW; a/c tail marking of RS
9. Oklahoma AFB home to 97<sup>th</sup> AMW
10. Actor Sean
15. Smell
17. Former Speaker of the House Gingrich
20. RAF marshal in North Africa (1941-43)
21. Largest member of deer family
23. Military appreciation paperwork (abbrev.)
24. South Carolina AFB home to 20th FW; a/c tail marking of SW
27. Ancient history
28. Roman sun god
29. Article
34. North Carolina AFB home to 23rd FG; tail marking of FT
35. Little lady
37. Virginia Army fort
38. Road material
39. Color in light spectrum between orange and infrared
40. Male offspring
41. Homo sapien
43. Tennessee AFB home to AEDC
45. NBA coach \_\_\_\_\_ Harris
46. *Who's Afraid of Virginia \_\_\_\_\_*
48. Street equivalent (abbrev.)
49. Spots
50. Greek god of love
51. Truck manufacturer
52. Former name for Tokyo
54. Fink
55. State home to 181<sup>st</sup> FW; aircraft tail marking TH (abbrev.)
56. Pig's pen





**Standings and more****NFL Scores  
Wildcard Weekend****AFC**

Tennessee 20 Baltimore 17  
Indianapolis 41 Denver 10

**NFC**

Carolina 29 Dallas 10  
Green Bay 33 Seattle 27 (OT)

**NFL Schedule  
Divisional Playoffs**

(All times Kirkuk local time)

**AFC**

Tennessee at New England  
Sunday 4:15 a.m.  
Indianapolis at Kansas City  
Sunday 9 p.m.

**NFC**

Carolina at St. Louis  
Sunday 12:30 a.m.  
Green Bay at Philadelphia  
Monday 12:45 a.m.

**Conference  
Championships**

Sunday, Jan. 18, 2004

**Super Bowl XXXVIII**

Houston, Texas  
February 1, 2004

\*All remaining games  
may be watched at the  
Clamtina.

The Clamtina is sponsor-  
ing a football pool for the  
remainder of the playoffs.

**This week  
at the CLAMTINA**

**Tonight:** Bring your movie night  
**Saturday:** Bingo  
**Sunday:** NFL conference finals  
**Monday:** Double Movie Night:  
Beyond Borders/In America  
**Tuesday:** Ping Pong Tourney  
**Wednesday:** Spades  
**Thursday:** Bring your movie night

# Warrior of the Week



Photo by A1C Alicia Sarkinen

## Airman 1st Class Joseph Molzen 506th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron

**Homestation:** Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

**Arrived in AOR:** Oct. 30, 2003

**Family:** Parents, two brothers, one sister

**Hobbies:** None listed.

### How do you contribute to the mission of the 506th Air Expeditionary Group?

I help provide a safe and secure environment for base personnel so they can execute their mission.

### What is your favorite aspect of this deployment?

The experience has been great so far. I'm just glad I was able to come over here and do my part in support of our country.

### What luxury do you miss?

I miss being able to get off of a shift and sit in my recliner while drinking a few beers.

### What food do you miss the most?

Beef lo mein along with sweet and sour chicken.

## Chapel Schedule

**Friday**  
**5 a.m., 7 p.m.**  
Islamic prayer

**9 a.m.**  
Catholic Mass  
(Sky Soldier chapel)

**Saturday**  
**7 p.m.**  
Catholic Mass

**Sunday**  
**8 a.m.**  
Gospel Service  
**9 a.m.**  
Catholic Mass  
(Sky Soldier chapel)

**10 a.m.**  
General Protestant  
**11:30 a.m.**  
Catholic Mass  
**1 p.m.**  
Latter-Day Saints  
**2 p.m.**  
Catholic Mass  
(Sky Soldiers Chapel)



**7 p.m.**  
Contemporary Service

**Tuesday**  
**6:30 p.m.** Bible Study:  
More than a carpenter by  
Josh McDowell.

**Wednesday**  
Bible Study - TBA

**Thursday**  
**7 p.m.**  
Rite of Christian Initiation for  
Adults (RCIA)

Anyservicemember mail  
is available at the Chapel  
Quiet Zone. If you wish to  
obtain a piece or two with the  
intention of responding, stop  
by and pick up yours today.

All services are held at the  
Ten Days From Tomorrow  
Chapel unless otherwise  
noted. Times subject to  
change. Jewish, Muslim,  
Buddhist and others should  
contact chapel administration  
for updates of their religious  
requirements and support.

## Commonly used phone numbers

ATOC.....	460-0038
Base Exchange.....	460-1622
BDOC.....	460-0960
Clamtina.....	460-1614
CC Supt. Section.....	460-0099
CE Cust. Serv.....	460-0058
Chaplain.....	460-0129
Command Chief.....	460-0052
Command Post.....	460-0077
COMM Help Desk.....	460-0000
Contracting.....	460-0661
Dining Facility.....	460-0605
EMEDS.....	460-0802
EOD.....	460-1763
Fire Department.....	460-0030
Finance.....	460-1646
First Sergeant.....	460-0016
Fitness Center.....	460-0271
Legal.....	460-0117
Lodging.....	460-0806
Logistics Plans.....	460-0194
OSI.....	460-0326
PERSCO.....	460-1625
Public Affairs.....	460-0131
Protocol.....	460-0260
Safety.....	460-0090
Supply.....	460-0039

For a complete listing of telephone numbers, log onto the intranet site at [www.krab.aorcentaf.af.mil/Phonebooks.html](http://www.krab.aorcentaf.af.mil/Phonebooks.html)

## What's Your Sign?

**Leo** (July 22 - Aug. 22) Your friends are freaking out about their new schedules, but you're oddly calm about the whole thing. Moving into the new dorms is hard on everybody but in your coolness you make it feel like home.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23 - Sept. 21) You're a loyal person who is always willing to help. That's why everyone comes to you with their problems. You ask yourself the question, "Who is going to listen to my problems?" The answer is simple - you don't have problems. If you feel you have a problem coming on, find another Virgo to listen and create your support network. You'll feel much better.

**Libra** (Sept. 22 - Oct. 22) There's a wound in your love life now and only a harsh dose of truth can heal it. Alcohol is out of the question, unless you want to try to get loaded on 600 near-beers or five gallons of Listerine.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) The theme from Rocky is playing in your head this week. You feel like you're the Italian Stallion but look like Seabiscuit instead. Try spending more time in the gym and drink those protein shakes.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) You're spending more money now than you have in the past couple months. Show restraint - wait until you get home before you boost the Dow Jones Industrial Average with your spending habits.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) For once, everything feels under control. The holidays are finished and you've past the halfway point of your rotation. Home is in sight. Be patient.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20 - Feb. 17) You've never had so much power and influence in your life. It feels cool to be so powerful, but don't let it get to your head since you're still only a Senior Airman, otherwise people will call you a "colonel in your own mind."

**Pisces** (Feb. 18 - Mar. 19) Is it just paranoia or are your friends talking about you behind your back? It's best to be straight with them now. They are just jealous because the voices are talking to you.

**Aries** (Mar. 20 - Apr. 19) Your best friend goes ballistic about something you said as a joke. It is taken greatly out of context. You stop by Burger King and Pizza Hut with the willingness to buy anything to make it right. However, you draw the line when you are asked to give up your Madden 2004 game along with your X-box.

**Taurus** (Apr. 20 - May 19) You are going to be meeting a ton of new people this year. You look forward to it since it means your 'new best friend' will be arriving and you head home. Long story.

**Gemini** (May 20 - June 20) Home is your heaven. Even though your parents, siblings and children are not going to be any easier to get along with than before, at least you will be able to play the hero role even though you only did a bunker dive during Alarm Red.

**Cancer** (June 21 - July 21) It's not in your nature to blow off work, no matter how hard you try. Your dedication will pull through once again, so you will be able to home in once piece and leave this base in better shape than when you arrived.

## Iraqi Fast Facts

### Economy

#### Purchasing power parity:

\$58 billion

**Real growth rate:** -3%

**Per capita:** \$2,400

#### Composition by sector:

Agriculture: 6%

Industry: 13%

Services: 81% (1993 est.)

#### Inflation rate

(consumer prices): 70%

**Labor force:** 6.5 million

#### Industries:

petroleum, chemicals, textiles, construction materials, food processing

#### Electricity

##### Production:

36.01 billion kWh (2001)

fossil fuel: 98.4%

hydro: 1.6%

other: 0% (2001)

nuclear: 0%

##### Consumption:

33.49 billion kWh (2001)

**Exports:** 0 kWh (2001)

**Imports:** 0 kWh (2001)

#### Debt - external:

\$120 billion (2002 est.)

#### Economic aid - recipient:

\$327.5 million (1995)

#### Currency:

Iraqi dinar (IQD)

**Currency code:** IQD

**Fiscal year:** calendar year



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